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SIXPENCE.



WIFE OF THE NEW COMMANDER OF THE MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE: THE HON. LADY MONRO.

The wife of the distinguished soldier, General Sir Charles Carmichael Monro, K.C.B., who has been appointed to the command of the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, in succession to General Sir Ian Hamilton, who has come to England to report, was married in 1912. Lady Monro is a sister of Lord O'Hagan, and was, before her marriage to General Sir Charles Monro, well known in Society as the Hon. Mary

Caroline Towneley - O'Hagan. The first Baron O'Hagan, her father, was a Privy Councillor and a great legal luminary, who became in turn Solicitor-General and Attorney-General for Ireland, a Justice of the Common Pleas in Ireland, and, finally, Lord Chancellor of Ireland. He was created Baron O'Hagan of Tullaghogue, Co. Tyrone.—[Photograph by Kate Pragnell.]



Conscription Mania.

It must be a dreadful thing to have conscription mania. I have my own opinions on the subject of conscription, but the matter

is rather too controversial for these columns. Looking at it objectively, however, I should say that conscription mania is far worse when it attacks an individual in an ordinary walk of life than when it seizes upon the proprietor of a newspaper. The private person wakes up with it, bathes with it, breakfasts with it, takes it in the train with him, works with it, lunches with it, bores people at the club with it, dines with it, bores the family with it, and sleeps with it. That must be very dreadful.

The proprietor of a newspaper, on the other hand, has a safetyvalve. He can permeate his paper with conscription, and then sleep in peace. When he wakes in the morning, he has but to open his paper, and there he finds his views eloquently and trenchantly expressed in every column. That, of course, gives him great relief, and probably saves his reason.

He begins, no doubt, with the leader. The leader, ostensibly, has nothing to do with conscription, but conscription, of course, gets into it before the end. For example-

THE POSITION OF BULGARIA

". . . This is the attitude we have unflinchingly adopted, ever since the outbreak of the present war, towards the Balkan States. If our leaders falter, if they show the slightest sign of weakness in the matter of Bulgaria, then indeed we shall exclaim with Shelley-

"But, we may be asked, have you any reason to suppose that the Government will deal weakly with the Bulgarian affair? Our reply is, how has the Government dealt with the matter of National Service? Where is that steady flow of men which-?"

And the trick is done.

But a leader, after all, is only a leader. There The Money are people who do not read leaders. There is Market. your City man, who spends most of the train journey on the money column. Yet he gets caught in this way-

"The attitude of the Bank in this connection does not please us We have, as a matter of fact, repeatedly warned the Bank that we could not accept the theory that dear money. . . .

"Yet, it must be admitted, there is some show of reason on the side of the Bank so long as the Government vacillate between the Voluntary and the Compulsory system. Nothing so quickly affects national finance as the knowledge that the supply of men is inadequate to the demand, and those in charge of the Bank of England would be the first to agree with us that the only feasible scheme. . . ."

Ladies, of course, read neither the leader nor The Ladies' the Money Market, so they must be got at Page. through their own columns. That is quite simple to the experienced journalist-

NEW FASHIONS IN FURS.

". . . The materials of this particular model were duvetyn in a lovely shade of leaf-green, dull-black satin, and narrow bands of kolinsky fur. The quaint muff, which formed a jelly-bag point in front, was made of duvetyn and lined with black satin. This satin was corded at the ends and turned back in large gauntlet cuffs, bordered with fur.

"But it is impossible to speak of Paris, even in so fascinating a connection, without recollecting that France has put the whole strength of her manhood into the field. France has not and never will tolerate the slacker. The French Government, from the earliest times, has treated the question of universal service in practical fashion. We call upon those ladies who read this column to make a determined effort this very day in favour of the Compulsory as against the Voluntary system.

'The straight tie, which was moderate in length, was lined with the same corded satin, and it was fastened where the ends crossed with a large steel buckle. It is refreshing to think that the designer of this very tie is now taking his part, as a matter of course, in the Homeric struggle that.'

There are some people so degraded that they Police Report. care for nothing in the paper but the policereport. You might suppose that they at least would not hear of Compulsory Service, but that shows how little you realise the ingenuity of the journalistic mind-

DARING JEWEL ROBBERY.

" Police-Constable Dove said that at 1.44 a.m. he heard a scuffle in the shop as he was walking past. He went to the door. The prisoner and another man dashed out. He caught the prisoner, and, despite a severe struggle, succeeded in holding him, but the other man disappeared.

The Magistrate (to prisoner): 'Why are you not in khaki?'

· The prisoner declined to answer, but we have no difficulty in answering for him. This is just one of the millions of eligible men waiting the mandate to join the colours. He was ready to go, probably eager to go, but he had not been ordered to do so. Many natures are so weak-that nothing but a definite order will move them. In the meantime, what happens? He breaks into a jeweller's shop, is convicted, and sent to prison! Another splendid soldier lost to the Forces of his Majesty! If only we could get the country as a whole to realise the folly and the sin and the shame and the unspeakably crass idiocy of those in authority in not listening to the demands of this journal, we should be more than a step nearer to the final solution of the

War or no war, the London Sketch Club, which The London includes among its members many of the men " Sketch " Club. who help to cheer the soldiers and sailors by means of the pages of The Sketch, goes bravely on. Its ranks are diminished, for a large number of the younger artists have gone to the War, but the Friday sketching evenings, famous throughout Bohemia, have not been allowed to fall through.

The secretary has sent me a list of the subjects for two-hour sketches this season, and they make such fascinating reading that I shall venture to quote a few. You understand that the first of each couple is for the benefit of our humorous friends, and the second for the landscape artists-

- "A Fine Opening" and "An October Evening."
- "The Black Cloak" and "Sun on the Hills."
- "Empty" and "Blow, blow, thou winter wind."
- "The Yellow Stocking" and "Marshes."
- "Ten to One" and "At Night."
 "Un Bon Camarade" and "Blue and Amber."

Well, who would not be an artist? With such inspiring titles, who could help putting forth of his best? And then, note the official instructions for the evening of Dec. 17-

"Turkey Supper at 7.30. No work."

I've been to them and I know!

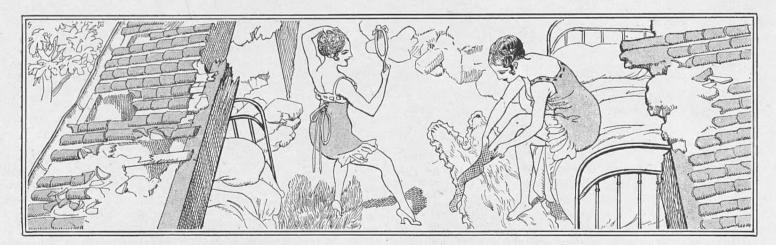
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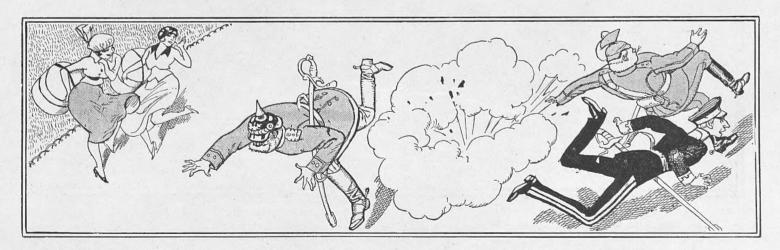
BY THE RIVER - BANK.



AT THE FARM.



IN A TOWN WRECKED BY BOMBARDMENT.



IN TERRITORY OCCUPIED BY THE KULTURISTS!

"FOUR HUNDRED" CHARLIE CHAPLINS.



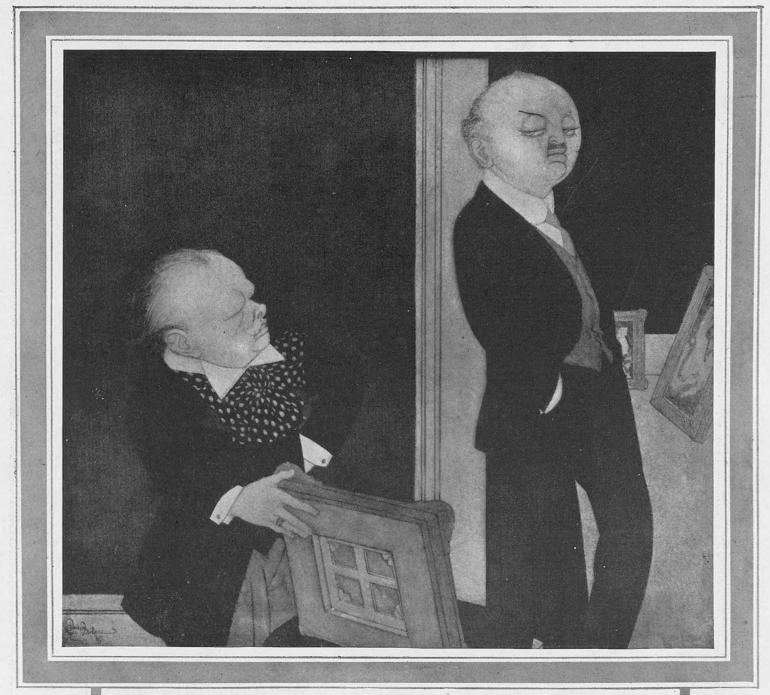
FROLICS OF THE FOUR HUNDRED: THE CHARLIE CHAPLIN NIGHT.

As our Artist's caricatures of the "Bacchanalian Revel" of the Four Hundred | result. On this occasion the motif of the frolic was the ubiquitous Charlie Chaplin.

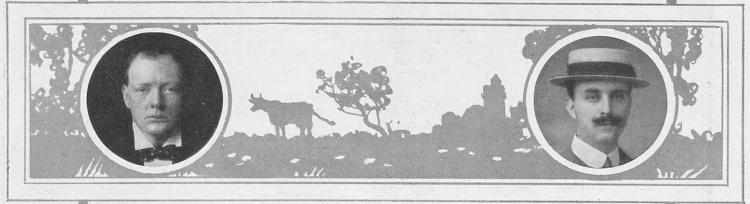
Club, given in our last Number, were so highly appreciated by our readers, we instructed him to call again at that home of light-heartedness, and here is the Adams, the second by Miss Violet Loraine, and the booby prize by Mr. A. Hollander.

CARICATURED BY G. E. STUDDY.

WINSTON ASKING FOR TROUBLE? A CARICATURIST'S DREAM.



A WOULD-BE "GROSVENOR GALLERY YOUNG MAN" AND THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF SCULPTORS, PAINTERS, AND GRAVERS: AN IMAGINARY INTERVIEW—BY EDMUND DULAC.





THE SUBJECTS OF THE CARICATURES AS THEY ARE: MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL (LEFT) AND MR. FRANCIS HOWARD, HON. SEC. OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF SCULPTORS, PAINTERS, AND GRAVERS.



The ex-First Lord of the Admiralty has become, like the Lord of Burleigh in the poem, just a simple landscape-painter. "A thrill of anticipation," said the P.M.G., "has passed through the social, as well as the artistic world, in connection with at the Gromman and provided a brush, it is said, and now he has painted a dozen or more pictures of much merit. This new turn in his career came about quite suddenly. Happening to pass an artists' colour-shop one day, he went in on the spur of the moment and provided of course, himself with materials. Returning to the country next day, he set to work and in general.

produced a picture: It was expected that some of his canvases would be shown at the autumn exhibition of the International Society of Sculptors, Painters, and Gravers, at the Grosvenor Gallery this month. Later, however, it was stated that Mr. Churchill had not accepted an informal invitation from the Society to exhibit there, although artists who had seen his work, including Mr. William Orpen, A.R.A., thought very highly of it. The caricaturist suggests an imaginary version of the affair, which is, of course, purely a skit, founded on the not uncommon experiences of budding artists in general.

CARICATURE (ON EXHIBITION AT THE GROSVENOR GALLERY) BY EDMUND DULAC; PHOTOGRAPH OF MR. CHURCHILL BY BERESFORD.

NO "CONVERSATION KENGE" TO - DAY: CUILETS AND CANARDS: TELLERS OF DARK TALES.

The art of conversation has vanished. As our Lost Arts. grandfathers and grandmothers understood it, conversation was the art of saying genial and agreeable and witty things on any subject. The present generation has never been able to spare time to converse. Conversation and letter-writing have disappeared from the land. We talk now, and clip our words, and invent slang so as to talk at the quickest possible rate, and we "drop" each other "a line," for the necessity for writing long and carefully considered letters crumbled when the penny post was instituted, and has gone on crumbling as distant country after distant country has come within the penny radius. The postcard did its share in bringing letter-writing to its death, and one of the shrewdest blows ever given to it was the postcard issued to the troops of the Expeditionary Forces with instructions to cross out all the unwanted lines on it. The time-honoured phrase, "Hoping this finds you well, as it leaves me at present "-a relic, I am sure, of the days of good Queen Anne, has now definitely faded from military cor-

respondence. Only One

Subject.

And our talk is only of one subject. I can remember some of the old conversationalists.gentlemen who commanded the attention of the whole table at a dinner-party, who told anecdotes of Pitt and Fox Warren and Hastings with the soup, had, when we reached the entrées, known all the stars of the opera and ballet, and ballet, whose stories of what Thérèse said to the Grand Duke who paid her a visit in her

dressing-room, due with the dessert, was always taken as the cue for the hostess to give the signal for the ladies to go to the drawing-room. Such a master of ornate conversation touched, during the duration of a ten-course dinner, on politics, travel, the opera, the theatre, racing, all the arts, and all the scandals, was able to give personal impressions of all the Courts of Europe, and could quote poetry from Byron to the versifiers of Charles the Second's days-these quotations came with the second round of the port. But in the present Year of Grace not a soul at a dinner-table would spare half an ear to listen to anecdotes of Grisi or Lord Aberdeen. There is only one subject on which to talk, and that is the War.

The conversationalist of the Victorian era always mentally arranged the order of his A Thrill with Each Course. subjects as he dressed for dinner, pausing in buttoning the coral buttons of his waistcoat, or in tying a voluminous white cravat, to look up an anecdote concerning a fossil celebrity. The talker of to-day, if he is to make himself heard above the strident voices of the people at any dining-table, must have ready a startling series of new war sensations, a thrill with each course. He must,

of course, be ready to face the penalties of the Defence of the Realm Act, for to be sensational is the first requisite, to be veracious is quite a minor consideration; and no man - or woman, for that matter - has yet been prosecuted for spreading false news at the dinner-table.

Favourite Fables. The fable of the moment most in favour takes the form of authentic details concerning the bringing-down of Zeppelins in various parts of England. One story that ran like lightning round town a week ago dealt with an entirely imaginary incident in the destruction of two Zeppelins by our aviators just off one of our sea-ports. The number of our aviators who were supposed to have lost their lives in accomplishing this feat was always given and always differed with each narrator. These destroyed Zeps. had not quite such a successful career as had the Russians in England and the Prisoner in the Tower; but as an opening gambit they took the place the

opera and the R.A. hold in peace time.

Pessimists A11.

The talker at the table must be a pessimist to be a success. The hopeful, ordinary man who believes that we are muddling through all right has no chanceagainst the teller of dark tales, knows who why every successful General is on the brink of recall, who has terrible tales of casualty lists that the world will never see, who invents quarrels between the Allied Generalissimos. and tells of

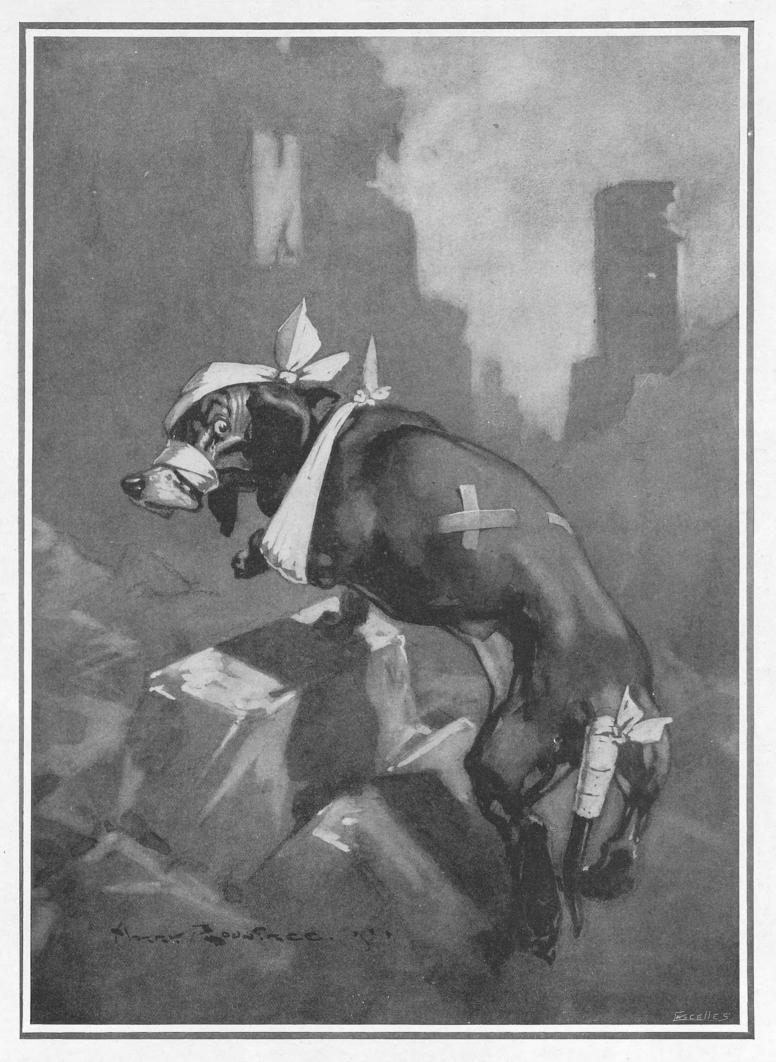


THE CHRISTENING OF MISS GLADYS COOPER'S SECOND CHILD: BABY, FATHER, MOTHER, SISTER, AND GOD-PARENTS. That popular young actress Miss Gladys Cooper, who is Mrs. Herbert J. Buckmaster, has now two children—Joan, and a little boy who was christened the other day, at St. George's, Hanover Square, John Rodney North. The god-parents were Adm.ral Sir Frederick Fisher, Admiral Mark Kerr, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McKenna. Mr. Buckmaster is the second figure on the left in the photograph; then come Admiral Sir Frederick Fisher, Miss Cooper, Admiral Mark Kerr, Miss Joan Buckmaster, the Nurse and Baby, Mrs. Gerald McKenna, and Mr. Gerald McKenna.—[Photograph by Foulskam and Banfield Ltd.]

tremendous scenes of carnage that history will not record. a man at dinner has so petrified his beautiful neighbour with horror that she can hardly hold her ice-spoon, he has not been a success as a talker, and might just as well have told her which pictures he admires in one of the galleries, or what was Sir Henry Wood's programme at last Sunday's Queen's Hall concert.

Even the theatre, that most fruitful subject of In the Chamber conversation in peace time, hardly supplies of Horrors. food for five minutes' conversation nowadays, and discussion as to the merits of "Mavourneen" or "The Big Drum soon leads to the question whether it is wiser to sit quiet in the stalls or to go home from the theatre on Zeppelin nights. Racing seems only to be talked now by the Newmarket set, and gastronomy, except with reference to sending tuckboxes and game to men at the front, is right out of court. I suppose we shall all talk about the Court and Society, theatres, racing, and yachting when the war is over; but it will seem like going into the upstairs rooms at Mme. Tucsaud's amongst the Kings and Queens after first spending half-an-hour in the Chamber of Horrors.

THE UP-RAIDER.



THE LONDON DACHSHUND: Strafe those Zeppelins!—and it's taken me six months to become a naturalised buildog!

DRAWN BY HARRY ROUNTREE.





TO MARRY MISS FLORENCE MAUD HEAP: LIEUTENANT W. B. N. RODERICK.

Lieutenant W. B. N. Roderick is in the Coldstream Guards, and is the second son of the late Colonel W. Buckley-Roderick, and Mrs. Buckley-Roderick, of Burry Port, South Wales. Miss Florence Maud Heap is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heap, of Birkenhead. The wedding is ar-ranged to take place on Nov. II.

ISS Violet Asquith's departure for Biarritz is expected to complete a cure. Just before going abroad, Miss Asquith was the guest of Sir Herbert and Lady Jekyll in Surrey, and her readiness to cross to France last week was the best possible sign of recovery. Her illness has been long and trying, but she picked up wonderfully among the Jekyll roses in one of the prettiest of gardens; and more roses await her at Biarritz.

Of Gardens. Only the other day the Jekyll gardens were again inspected by Mr. Lutyens, the only man (we say nothing of Miss Jekyll) who has successfully set aside the old Oxford gardener's recipe for the



ENGAGED TO LIEUTENANT RUPERT CARINGTON: THE HON. SYBIL COLVILLE.

The Hon. Sybil Marion Colville is the second daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel Viscount Colville of Culross, and is eighteen. Lieutenant Rupert Victor John Carington is in the 5th Dragoon Guards, and is the son of Colonel the Hon. Rupert Carington, C.V.O., D.S.O., brother of the Marquess of Lincolnshire.-[Photograph by Olga Baswitz.]

making of a good lawn. "You take a lawn," said the antique sage " You of the college green to an American inquirer, " and cut it and roll it for three hundred years. 'Tis the only way.'' Mr. Lutyens, who never builds a country house without giving it old paved walks and stone pools-and, we had almost said, an ancient orchard—is a regular wizard in the matter of lawns. Mossy grass, it is claimed, springs up between his courtyard flags in the course of a single night; and not even the prejudices of the most professional mower prevail against the little daisies that seem always to sprinkle Mr. Lutyens' green spaces a month after the builders have removed their wheelbarrows and mortar.

his outburst on our behalf suggests that he would go to greater lengths than letter-writing if it were in his power to do so. His is a family of action. Forty-five years ago the bearer of his title was one of the candidates for the Spanish throne. The other was Don Enrique de Bourbon. Don Enrique's remarks about his rival were resented, and a challenge to mortal combat followed. At the third shot Don Enrique fell.

A New York The present Duke's closest contact with Episode. a bullet was due to no fault of his own, unless a walk out at night in New York is to ask for trouble. Being a visitor in that well - ordered city, he decided to



SOLDIER-SONS OF AN M.P.: SONS OF THE MEMBER FOR GRIMSBY.

The Unionist Member for Grimsby, Mr. Thomas George Tickler, J.P., M.P., has eight sons, five of whom are serving with his Majesty's Forces. Those shown in our photograph are (standing): Second Lieutenant W. M. Tickler and Second Lieutenant A. Tickler, both in the Cheshire Regiment; (sitting): Lieutenant P. E. Tickler and Lieutenant W. H. Tickler, both in the Northumberland Fusiliers. The fifth soldier-son, whose portrait does not appear in the group, is serving with the Australian Expeditionary Force.

Photograph by F. C. Vinall.

A Tennant has been helping Lord Glenconner his brother and a few friends to bag the birds in the Edington coverts. The occasion might almost be described as a shooting-party, if the term were not so hopelessly out of fashion. Shooting, however, still goes on, whatever they like to call it, and will go on while birds and elderly guns continue to provide the sporting combination. Mr. H. J. Tennant leases the Edington shoot from Lord Tweedmouth.

The Duke of Mont-The Duke's pensier has not minced words in Letter. his letter, dated from London, to King Ferdinand of Bulgaria. The Duke is a much-travelled man, with a preference for England above other countries. The fierceness of

explore it by moonlight. Turning a corner, he saw a dark figure run from one doorway to another; other figures were moving in the shadows. Then the report of a revolverand another, and another. A man dropped dead upon the pavement; then silence. It was a fight that had nothing to do with the Duke; he stepped into the middle of it by chance, and it went on regardless of his presence. So much for one impression left upon the mind of the fiery Latin nobleman by that sky-scraping centre of Anglo-Saxon civilisation!

After the prettiest At Clouds. At Clouds. wedding imagin-able, in a quiet way, Captain and Mrs. Wigan left for Clouds, Salisbury. The bride, who was attended by her sisters Pamela, Lettice, and Helena Adeane, by



TO MARRY LIEUTENANT W. B. N. RODERICK : MISS FLÖRENCE MAUD HEAP.

Miss Heap is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heap, of Birkenhead. Lieutenant Roderick is second son of the late Colonel W. Buckley-Roderick and Mrs. Buckley-Roderick, of Burry Port, South Wales, and is in the Coldstream Guards

her cousin Olivia Wyndham, and by the bridegroom's sister and cousin, Evia and Joyce Wigan, looked charming in white and silver, and a veil of famous lace lent her by her aunt the Countess Grosvenor. Clouds is a great and agreeable house, surrounded by tall trees and abundance of bird life; its library is well stocked with fine editions, and in all things the place may be accounted pleasant. The one only drawback is the brevity of war-time honeymoons! Clouds is lent to Captain Wigan and his bride by Colonel and Mrs. Guy Wyndham. It is a good sign of the times that even the "quietest" of war - time weddings, though it may lack some of the parade of other days, is never permitted to lapse into dulness.



TO MARRY MISS GEORGINA ST. JOHN MURPHY: CAPTAIN THE HON, T. G. B. MORGAN-GRENVILLE. HON. T. G. B. MORGAN-GRENVILLE.
Captain Thomas George Breadalbane
Morgan-Grenville is the second surviving son of the Baroness Kinloss,
of Stowe, Buckingham, and is in
the Rifle Brigade. Miss Georgina
St. John Murphy is the third daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. St. John Murphy, of
Tivoli House, Cork.

Photograph by Lafayette.

WEDDING DAYS AND "OUR DAY": MARRIAGES, COLLECTIONS.



ENGAGED TO CAPTAIN THE HON. T. G. B. MORGAN-GRENVILLE: MISS GEORGINA ST. JOHN MURPHY.

HELPERS ON "OUR DAY" AT THE BERKELEY HOTEL: THE HON. MRS. EUSTACE FITZGERALD, MRS. STUDLEIGH, MRS. TALBOT WATSON, AND MRS. CHARLES PAULET.

Miss Georgina St. John Murphy, whose engagement to Captain the Hon. T. G. B.

Morgan-Grenville, of the Rifle Brigade, was recently announced, is the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert St. John Murphy, of Tivoli House, Cork. Captain Morgan-Grenville is a son of the late Major L. F. Morgan-Grenville and the Baroness Kinloss, of Stowe, Buckinghamshire.—The collection on "Our Day" (which was also Trafalgar Day) for the British Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John of

Jerusalem was most successful, eclipsing the results of all previous flag-days. Besides the collections in the streets, there were parties of ladies at many or the big hotels selling not only flags, but flowers and fruit, and they did great business. One lady at the entrance of the Berkeley Hotel received a £5 note and a £1 note, and her lifeboat collecting-box soon became heavy with silver. The collectors worked hard, and many were on duty for ten hours.

Mrs. Drummond live

in Manchester Square,

one minute from Spanish Place and

The Tennysonian

Line.

Mr. Drummond's sister, the Hon. Mrs. Alfred Tennyson, is

to be congratulated

on the birth of a daughter. The new infant is the great-

grand-daughter of the

tine Birrell.

SirWilliam

poet, and the grand-daughter of

Lionel; her father's mother was, en

secondes noces, the late Mrs. Augus-

Lady Clare Dormer. Another For-

newcomer (since the departure of

their Sunday Mass.

HE Hon, Eric Drummond, Sir Edward Grev's new private secretary, married the Duchess of Norfolk's sister ten years ago; he is the heirpresumptive of the Earl of Perth, and related to Mr. Lister Drummond, the popular London magistrate. Quite lately he was one of Mr. Asquith's own righthand men, and with Sir Edward's methods and requirements he became thoroughly familiar during a period of four years of précis-writing for the Foreign Office chief. Mr. and

TO MARRY SECOND LIEUTENANT LANCELOT F. O. S. HONEY: MISS HILDA BENSON (VIDA) MANLEY. Miss Manley is the youngest daughter of L. and Mrs. Manley, of the Rev. A. Startforth Vicarage, Yorkshire. Mr. Lancelot Honey is in the Leicestershire Regiment, and is the younger son of the late Mr. Frederick Honey, and Mrs. Honey, of Blackheath.

Photograph by Swaine.

Tyrrell) is Mr. Cecil Dormer. Only a short while back Mr. Dormer's marriage with Lady Clare Feilding brought several members of "the Feilding commando" back for a brief respite from France. Lady Dorothie, "as brave as her brave brother," attended the ceremony, and Viscount Feilding was also present. "The 'Bodysnatcher' we call her," says one writer of Lady Dorothie, " for she rescues men otherwise left for dead in the danger-zone." Lady Clare is named after an aunt whose comparatively early death robbed England of a memorable and peculiarly charming personality.

Lady Dorothy Henley The Montaguis the happy mother Square Baby. of a daughter, born last week in Montagu Square. The wife of the Hon. F. R. Henley, whom she married a couple of years ago, she is the daughter of the ninth Earl of Carlisle, and spent some of her childhood in the best of all London's red-brick houses—in Palace Green. Her sister, Lady Mary, married Professor Gilbert Murray, whose interests for the time being are divided between Euripides and a son in the Naval Air Service.

A V.C. Difficulty. A Colonel lately recommended his chauffeur for a V.C. "Details, please," said the officials, to which the Colonel answered briefly, "he 's been everywhere that I 've been." So ends the anecdote; we are not told if either, or both, were decorated. But the lesson, obviously, is that a highly placed soldier has a very poor chance of being directly recommended for the coveted distinction.

Battlefield Rarities. home-coming officers

to speak of the difficulty of acquiring war-trophies. The younger the officer the emptier his hands when he returns to his expectant relatives! Senior officers, it is rumoured, are better able to smuggle home a German rifle or an Iron Cross, but even they are generally



MARRY LIEUTENANT W. H. BRIERLEY: MISS D. WILLOUGHBY.

Miss Willoughby is the daughter of Mrs. R. Willoughby, of Heatherlea, High Wycombe, Bucks. Lieutenant Brierley is in the Royal Field Artillery, and has been invalided home from the front, suffering from the effects of gas-poisoning. Photograph by Swaine.

Ward are pleased to work all day and every day as packers in a basement in Pall Mall, it is questionable if many of the smart "unemployed" jump at the notion of joining the sorting department of the

General Post Office for the Christmas rush. Those two ladies in Pall Mall are doing work that is worth while: they classify and pack all kinds of hospital stores. But the job now thrown open at the Post Office is less exhilarating.

(to take a case at random), who have banners captured during the Wars of the Roses and arrows from Agincourt among their family treasures, may not bring their collections down to date. Lord Sefton, by the way, was recently gazetted temporary Lieutenant-Colonel in the Lancashire Hussars. He is a great horseman; let us hope he may pick up at least a horse - shoe for the glass cases at Croxteth Hall.

surely a pity if such people as the Countess of Sefton

made to feel like smugglers in the process.

All Sorts of Sorters. Though Lady Sophie Scott and Lady Mary

TO MARRY CAPTAIN GORDON RAM-SAY TWEED KENNEDY: MISS IRENE GRACE HASLER HELBY. Miss Helby is the daughter of Com-mander E. C. H. Helby, R.N., of Alver-stoke, Hants. Captain Kennedy is the eldest son of Colonel C. H. Kennedy, C.B.,

R.M.L.I., and is in the Royal Sc Fusiliers.—[Photograph by Swaine.] When the war broke out Peers, Peeresses, Members of Parliament, and various ornamental persons whose offers cannot in politeness be entirely ignored volunteered to help in any capacity (but without skill) that the Government thought fit. Those

who have not been found other work have now received an invitation to the G.P.O.

Panic, we know, is no-As Dense as longer in the counting Ever. as one of the risks towhich war-time audiences are liable, and theatre-goers, apparently, have decided topay no attention to the off-chance of an incendiary or explosive bomb. Lady Masserene and Ferrard, wearing her long shelllike pearl ear-rings, has been going to the Shaftesbury for English opera; so, too, have Lady Cunard, Mrs. Cecil Bingham, Sir John and Lady Lister Kaye, and many more; and Lord Lonsdale, who knows. almost as much about dancing as he does about boxing, conducted Miss Lydia Kyasht to her seat in the stalls of the Palace the other day through a crowd as dense as ever-in numbers and to the sense of

A public in the act Another Ian. of naming its suburban terraces, villas, and babies after a British General in the field may be somewhat abashed to read of his sudden supersession; but at any rate one little Ian, christened last week, got his name on the perfectly secure basis of permanent friend-This is Ian Parsons, grandson of Sir Herbert Tree. The Hon. Francis. McLaren stood proxy for the absent soldier, and Mrs. Asquith and Lady Diana Manners were also at the font-side. The reappearance of Lady Diana was an event of interest; but the baby, too, was admired. The small Ian is the brother of a

slightly older infant as famous for its beauty as for the splendour of its "setting." It has a cot such as Sir Herbert himself would choose to lie in if he were ever cast to play the part of a. Herod-or a Solomon-in infancy.



TO MARRY LIEUTENANT CLAUD RONALD ANSON: MISS FREDERICA HARRISON.

Miss Harrison is the youngest daughter of the late Mr. Predert. James Harrison, of Maer Hill, Co. Stafford; Hare Appletree, Quernmore, Co. Lancaster; and Wallasey, Cheshire; and of Mrs. Harrison. Lieutenant Anson is the second son of Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. George Anson, M.V.O., Royal Artillery, brother of the Earl of Lichfield, and Mrs. Anson, and is in the Royal Field Artillery.—[Photograph by Rita Martin.]

GRENADIER GUARD'S WEDDING: THE BRIDE.



MARRIED LAST WEEK: MRS. CHARLES GERARD (FORMERLY MISS AIMÉE CLARKE).

Hon, Sir Rupert Clarke, Bt., and Lieutenant Charles Gerard, of the Grenadier Guards, only son of the Hon. Robert Gerard (now the Hon. Robert Gerard-Dicconson), of

The wedding took place on Oct. 19 of Miss Aimée Clarke, second daughter of the | Church of the Assumption, Warwick Street, Regent Street. Sir Rupert Clarke is the second Baronet, and is interested in pastoral pursuits in Victoria, in which Colony he was for some time a Member of the Legislative Council. In 1896, the Hon. Robert Wrightington Hall, near Wigan, and cousin of Lord Gerard. The Rev. A. FitzGerald, chaplain to the Gerard family, officiated at the ceremony, which took place in the License.—[Photograph by L'Estrange.]

IN THE GREAT WORLD

SIR CHARLES AND LADY MONRO.

THE new Commander-in-Chief in Gallipoli went to France in the first month of the war. He was then merely a Territorial officer, in command of a division of the L.T.F. Having been in the Regular Army from the age of nineteen, he began, three years ago, to take an active interest in the training and development of our great irregulars. A typical Army man, with no interests worth mentioning outside soldiering, his Territorial command guaranteed to him a long continuance of military work. He took over his Division and married a wife in the same year; and we can almost picture him growing old in the work he had set himself. But the war caught him at the prime, and has not allowed him to remain in the worthy obscurity of musketry-

schools, rifle-ranges, and "penny fights at Aldershot it."

Just before "Words Fail, Mons and but---Charleroi he was given command of a Regular Division. In the retreat of the Marne and the Battle of the Aisne he revived and developed the fighting quality he had displayed at Paardeburg and He had been Driefontein. mentioned in despatches then from South Africa; he was mentioned in the more momentous despatches from Flanders. "Words fail me," wrote Sir John French of his Generals, "to express the admiration I feel for their conduct." But even if words failed, we at home gathered that we possessed in Sir Charles a first-class fighting man. After the Aisne he was made a K.C.B. and put in command of an Army Corps. To his great gratification, he found that his own old Division of Territorials were included in that corps.

Like his The Fighting predecessor Type. in Gallipoli. Sir Charles is a Scot. In this he conforms to a very prevalent fashion among our Army leaders-a fashion of which Sir Douglas Haig and Sir David Henderson other notable exponents. Outwardly, Sir Charles is more obviously the soldier-man than Sir Ian. Even in uniform, Sir Ian looks something more than a soldier; even out of uniform, Sir Charles looks something more than a civilian. His head, like Sir John French's and General

Allenby's, is strong, apart altogether from the driving power of the man's brains. With him, as with his late Chief in France, we feel that the firmness of the jaw means firmness of decision and leadership. The steadiness of the muscles of the face suggests a steadiness of the mind against the shocks of battle. It is perilous to make rules about facial angles: General Wolff the weak-chinned, and Nelson of gentle countenance, gave a slap in the face to the theory of a bulldog breed. But, for all that, the rocky countenance gives us confidence; we like to know that our leader in Gallipoli is hard and confident and martial to the finger-tips.

Sword and Lancet. The nerves of the Monros have been steeled on the battlefield and in the operating-room. Three generations of his family held the Edinburgh Chair of Anatomy and Surgery in succession, and a Monro attended the wounded after the Jacobite victory of Prestonpans. He, indeed, was a pioneer of the Red Cross. The father of the first of the professors was an army surgeon in the reign of William III., and probably did duty in Flanders. Let the surgeons of to-day, who work with anæsthetics in the cleanly light of Lister's teaching, ponder the appalling task of the Monros of those days, and be happy in the triumphs of modern science. Sir Charles is a great-grandson of the Alexander Monro who, of all the clan, gained most renown in surgery, and who

established the family at Craiglockhart in 1780. Sir Charles had seen some fighting before the South African War, having served, in 1897-8, with the Malakand Field Force and Tirah Expedition. He first joined the Army in 1879. In 1899 he became Deputy-Assistant Adjutant - General at Aldershot. From 1901-3 he was Chief Instructor and Officer at the School of Musketry, and then Commandant of it for the next four years. From 1907-10 he commanded the 13th Infantry Brigade and troops in Dublin, and in 1912 was placed in command of the 2nd London Division of the Territorial Army.

Three years Lady Monro. ago Sir Charles married Miss Mary O'Hagan. A sister of Lord O'Hagan, Lady Monro lost her elder brother, the late Peer, in the South African War. The name of her mother, the Dowager Lady O'Hagan, is familiar in many connections. Only shortly before the war we heard of her as the Chairwoman of the first meetings of the first Women's Aerial League. That was typical of many enterprises. Before her marriage, Lady O'Hagan was Miss Towneley, of Towneley, a pretty girl who became, as the wife of the first Roman Catholic Lord Chancellor of Ireland, one of the leaders of Catholic society.

Pyrgo and London.

The marriage of Lady Monro's sister to Mr.

de Beaumont-Klein marked a sudden change in the religious feelings of all the O'Hagans.

The Petres, the Howards, the

Herberts, and the Vaughans were no longer the chief familiars of their circle; but in politics the present Peer (until a split with the Government over its House of Lords policy) maintained the family tradition of Liberalism. That split meant Lord O'Hagan's resignation from the Ministerial office of Lord-in-Waiting, but gave him more leisure for his admirable efforts as a landlord round and about Pyrgo Park, where, for himself, he has built a picture-gallery, and for his poorer neighbours the most model of model cottages. Lady Monro lived, before her marriage, at Pyrgo and in Belgravia; and since her marriage has become more and more of a Londoner.



THE NEW COMMANDER OF THE MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE:

GENERAL SIR C. C. MONRO; WITH LADY MONRO.

General Sir Charles Carmichael Monro entered the Service in 1879, and served with distinction in the Mohmand and Tirah Expeditions, and during the South African War served on the Staff. He has held a number of Staff appointments, both at home and abroad. He was mentioned in despatches last October, and in February was created K.C.B. Lady Monro was, before her marriage in 1912, the Hon. Mary Caroline Towneley-O'Hagan, daughter of the first Baron O'Hagan, and is sister of the present holder of the title.—[Photograph by Topical.]

ONE OF THE BEAUTIFUL MANNERS GIRLS - AND CHILDREN.



HUSBAND (OF THE GLOUCESTERSHIRE YEOMANRY).

Lady Elcho, who is going to Egypt to visit her husband, was, before her marriage to the eldest son of the Earl of Wemyss, Lady Violet Manners, and she is the second of

1. WITH HER SONS: LADY ELCHO, WIFE OF THE ELDEST SON OF THE 2. PLAYING AT SOLDIERS—WITH RED INDIANS! THE HON. FRANCIS DAVID CHARTERIS, AND THE HON. MARTIN MICHAEL CHARLES CHARTERIS, CHARTERIS AND THE HON. MARTIN MICHAEL CHARLES CHARTERIS, CHILDREN OF LORD AND LADY ELCHO.

place in 1917, and her two little sons are the Hon. Francis David Charteris, born in 1912; and the Hon. Martin Michael Charles Charteris, born in the following year. Lord Elcho the three beautiful daughters of the Duke and Duchess of Rutland. Her wedding took is a Lieutenant in the Gloucestershire Yeomanry, and a barrister of the Inner Temple.

Photographs by Speaight.



DARK AND BRIGHT.

BY MARTHE TROLY-CURTIN.

(Author of "Phrynette and London and "Phrynette Married.")

If you were to see me now, as I am writing you, sitting contentedly with heels aiming at the mantelpiece in front of a very red fire (tiens, parbleu! it's p'rhaps just as well you can't see me!) you'd never guess that a few yards made all the difference between the being or not being of Phrynette. By yards, I don't mean stony squares with pigeons and telegraph-boys; I mean yards, metres, you know. Well, a few yards nearer, a little bomb, a little burst, and little bits about—and lo! your friend Phrynette had flown! That's the second escape, mais oui. Now for the third! Don't be anxious for me (perhaps I flatter myself!)—I like being

thrilled. Nothing obliges me to perch in the "Eastern county," as the paper says. The chrysanthemums in my cottage garden are shaking their dishevelled heads for me to come and pat them, and safety smiles at the porch; but safety is all very well in time of peace. In war-while you want to be as near peril as possible—it's like being nearer you, somehow. Germaine says it sounds as if you were the peril, but vous comprenez s'pas?

That evening, the Zep. night, we had just finished dinner-Germaine the Imp, the sick-leave third, and Iwhen the ceiling began to purr. "Puss or the sewingmachine?" said the sickleave third. But as our cat can't purr like a whale or an elephant, and as the sewingmachine is on strike since vinegar in mistake for oil was poured in its little inside, that bizarre buzzing could only be the porter snoozing on the stairs or else a Zep. peeping into our Before we had chimney. quite made up our minds which, the bombs began. Still, they won't rush me to rusticating. London is too lovely just now. To take an aperitive walk before dinner in the Park at seven o'clock is to move in a mystical mist of blue beauty, something like "Londonian Nights," illustrated by Edmund Dulac. In Bond Street, after five, you recognise your friends by the voice, so to speak-and then sometimes

too late! They have also heard what you were saying—many friendships finish thusly.

But darkness has its charms—it rests the eyes and exercises the mind. It allows you to imagine that every woman is pretty and that every man has a manly face.

Some Londoners are more law-abiding than others in the matter of lights. I smiled at this in *London Opinion*, and perhaps you may smile at it too—

Mary had a little lamp;
It was well trained, no doubt,
For every time a fellow called
The little lamp went out.

Mary would tell you that the "fellow" was a special constable rigorous on regulations.

There is no doubt that we are veering towards virtue. The hearth-rug is coming into its own again. It is quite fresh: it had been so little worn of late years! And if you see a smile on the face of the tiger-skin, you'll know that's because the lady is inside. I have actually heard of several women who are at home as often as twice a week to their own people—yes, husband and children!

You have probably followed the discussion as to matinée versus evening performances in the papers. Well, during your next leave you need not fear being dragged to the two o'clock tribu-

lations of the matinée as soon as you have finished your coffee. You won't have to sit between Aunt Barbara and the twins, and explain the jokes to them. Nights are still on—you are glad, aren't you? I was. What is there in a first night that never loses its zest, and what is there that is tame about a matinée?

With the new-found home, all sorts of quaint old habits are being revivedbridge, and reading, and talking. Those who can't read are learning, and those who are particularly inarticulate are being talked to. I would not be surprised if we were to have a revival of the art of conversation after the war - well, why not? Are not the pantalettes peeping out again? I have not seen them, except on the stage; and then it is said Mrs. Longworth, ex-President's Roosevelt's daughter, has been wearing a pair-or several pairs, perhaps, but could only see one. I'll let you know in time to save you the shock-oh, ankleoglers! So it may be that 1916 will see the reign of the subtle-tongued and the thick-ankled damsel.

If the news be true, let us comfort ourselves with the thought that those pantalettes won't be trimmed with crochet-lace—nobody crochets now, with munition-making; and they won't be carried out (perhaps "carried out" is not the proper term) in that horrid

linen stuff grand'ma's undies were made of. If they catch on at all, 'twon't be as an *Exposition de Blanc*, but as two little timid tubes of some such stuff as the dress, not fighting in the least with the strait-laced boots below.

And, speaking of pantalettes, there seems to be a sort of half-regretful glance towards the past just now. Perhaps it is not so very astonishing, after all. We have had of late several plays in crinoline; and now "Romance," with the extraordinarily clever Doris Keane in circumferences of swishing silks rustling like autumn leaves. And the new revue at the Alhambra jumps back further still, merely and to begin with—to the Paradise lost, but ever found again! It's curiously called, "Now's the Time"—but then, as Shakespeare said, "Titles—tut, tut!" or something like that.



IN THE DAYS OF THE ZEPPELIN DARKNESS.

DRAWN BY C. E PETO.

BRIDGE AND THE MILK OF HUMAN KINDNESS: CHARITY CARDS.



AT A CHARITY BRIDGE TOURNAMENT: MISS ETHEL LEVEY RECEIVED BY MURIEL LADY HELMSLEY, THE COUNTESS OF CLONMELL (IN CENTRE OF GROUP, WEARING VEIL) AND MRS. HENRY STURGIS (ON THE RIGHT).



"BRIDGING" THE GULF BETWEEN RICH AND POOR: THE COUNTESS OF ESSEX (SIDE VIEW ON THE RIGHT), MRS. J. J. ASTOR (BACK TO CAMERA), AND LADY RIDLEY (FACING CAMERA) PLAYING.



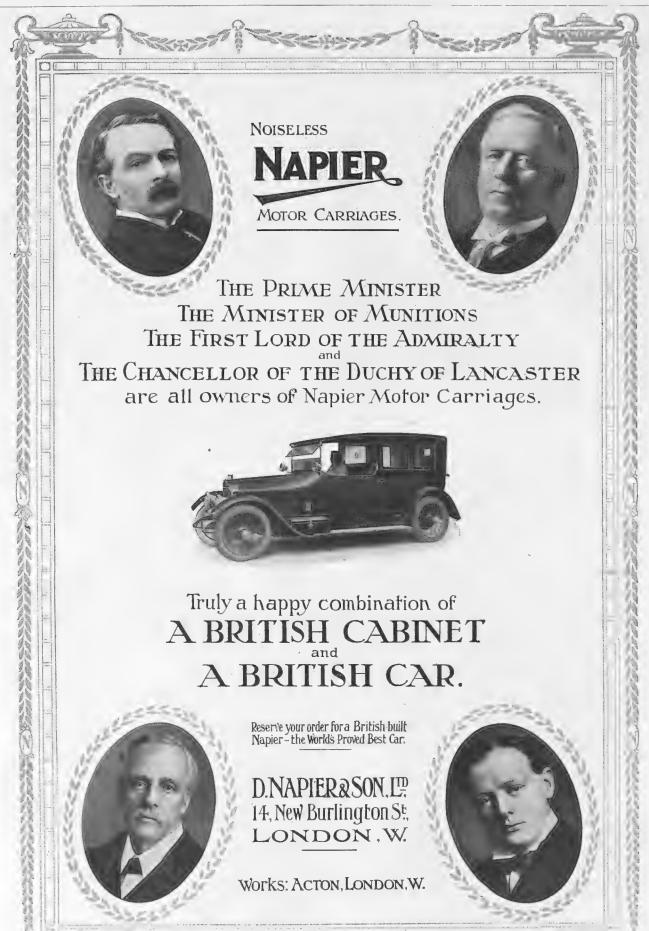
THE BRIDCE TOURNAMENT IN AID OF NATIONAL MILK HOSTELS: THE MARCHIONESS OF HEADFORT (STANDING IN THE CENTRE) AND

THE DUCHESS OF SUTHERLAND (SEATED ON LEFT). As mentioned under the full-page portrait of her given in our Issue of October 13, the Countess of Clonmell recently organised a Bridge Tournament in aid of the National Milk Hostels movement, the object of which is to supply fresh milk to the very poor. The tournament, for which tickets were sold at two guineas each, took place at 25, Park Lane, lent for the purpose by Sir Philip Sassoon, and, needless to say, was a great success.



ORGANISER AND SUPPORTERS OF THE CHARITY BRIDGE TOURNAMENT: (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT) LADY CLONMELL, MURIEL LADY HELMSLEY, AND MRS. STURGIS (NEXT RAILINGS).

Our photographs were taken during the proceedings. Among those who took part in the tournament was Miss Ethel Levey, the well-known actress, who is now in "Watch Your Step," at the Empire. Muriel Lady Helmsley is a sister of the Earl of Shrewsbury. She married, first, the late Viscount Helmsley, eldest son of the Earl of Feversham, and secondly, the late Mr. Hugh Owen.—[Photographs by Topical.]



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A WORD TO THE WISE.

Everybody's task nowadays is to try and keep expenditure normal with prices above the normal.

It is a rare and refreshing experience to find an article of food which has not increased in price since the outbreak of War.

St. Ivel Lactic Cheese are still sold at the old price of 6½d, each, and the greatly increased demand proves its value in these hard times.

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PHYLLIS: Do you know, Mother, Moses used to have indigestion just like you do!

MOTHER: Why, dear, whatever makes you think that?

PHYLLIS: Why, 'cos in our Bible lesson to-day Miss Smith said, "God gave Moses two tablets."



By CARMEN OF COCKAYNE.

Toujours la Politesse.

The French never do anything by halves. Not for nothing have they been called the most gallant race in the world. Long ago, when the motor-car first became an indisputable fact of life, the Academy met and gravely discussed the gender of the word automobile. Was it to be masculine or feminine? The form of the word rather suggested the latter alternative. But the argument of one member was unanswerable. "The motor-car," he said, "is not lovely. It snorts. It smells. We cannot insult divine woman by making a thing of that kind feminine." He finished amidst applause. "Automobile" was unanimously decreed to be masculine. The decision was appropriate at the time, as anyone will admit who remembers the first motor-cars, which were simply a kind of wagonette with a very jerky and indecorously exposed engine attached.

NAPIER Dolan

"The 'bull-nosed' bonnet is an instance of the last word in Napier 'bonnetry."

The earliest car was the very negation of grace — the absolute antithesis of the elegance, the daintiness, the general charm, the " all things nice " of which, as everyone learns, womankind is compounded. So the verdict of the Academy surprised nobody. But if that same body had to make its decision now, there is very little doubt but that it would revoke its former pronouncement. For the car of to-day is to its earliest predecessors as a masterpiece of Vandyke to the crude scratchings of the prehistoric artist.

The Woman in the Car.

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It was not long before

the woman in the car became as much an accepted fact as the car itself, and from the moment that women seriously took up motoring, elegance and luxury became naturally an essential part of a car's "make up." The snorting, evil-smelling, bumpy vehicle—the bugbear of all who travelled by road, the subject of hampering speed-restrictions—developed into that sumptuous, noiseless, smooth-running, and wholly comfortable affair, the car of to-day, which the

modern "chauffeuse" handles with as much skill and sangfroid as does her masculine prototype.

Where women led, Motor Modes. fashion soon followed. The horses who shied at the earliest cars were frightened as much by the nightmare dress of the occupants as by the cars themselves. But La Mode soon changed all that. The early pioneers 'so wild in their attire' were displaced by smartly dressed women whose clothes reflected the fashion of the time. the modish frock is the necessary accompaniment of the fashionable car with its luxurious upholstery, cunningly placed electric lights, silken curtains, warmers, and all other aids to that comfort which is popularly supposed to constitute a woman's idea of bliss.

Modes in Motors. But there are fashions in motors as well as motor fashions, and the capricious dame's

decrees are as inscrutable and despotic in the one as the other. A couple of years ago the really "nutty" car was a two-colour affair, boasting, it might be, a green body with yellow wheels. To own a car of this description to-day is to commit the gravest automobile solecism, and to argue oneself an ignoramus in car-colour etiquette.

Perfect harmony between the body and the wheels is now demanded by fashion; subdued tones are for the time being in favour, and the car of to-morrow, the modish model of 1916, will be Dreadnought-

grey. Then there is the matter of upholstery, between which and the car there is, of course, the closest connection. Woollen French cords had it all their own way until re-

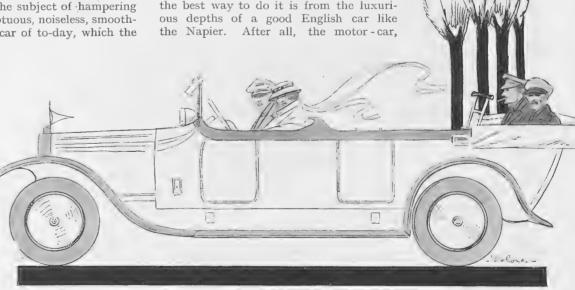


"We are discovering our own country in more ways than one, and experience suggests that the best way to do it is from the luxurious depths of a good English car."

cently, but their day is done. For the present at least, leather is largely replacing stuff, and, following the fashion in frocks, the most favoured shade is a deep mulberry colour.

The Perfect Car.

But it takes more than a good in make a reliable car. Comfort and elegance are But it takes more than a good appearance to all right, but useless unless allied to mechanical excellence. The perfect car-which, it goes without saying, is the all-British carcombines all three. In its best form it can be seen any day in the show-rooms of Napier and Son, Ltd., at 14, New Burlington Street. How a 30-35-h.p. six-cylinder Napier (the Napier people, by the way, designed and built the first successful six-cylinder car) stormed the Alps under the official supervision of the R.A.C., and climbed some 66,000 feet in the process, is one of the most interesting pages in the history of automobilism, and Dolores' sketch illustrates an Alpinetested model fitted with the "Cunard" torpedo body; while the smaller picture of the "bull-nosed" bonnet is an instance of the last word in Napier "bonnetry." In these same show-rooms too, where the needs of the town-dweller on the look-out for luxury have been carefully studied, the motorist with simpler tastes is equally well provided for. Now that it is rather harder for a rich man to leave England, except in khaki, than to go through the eye of a needle, the beauties of the English countryside



are being fully recognised. We are dis-

covering our own country in more ways than one, and experience suggests that

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despite all the assaults of the Chancellor of the Exchequer upon it, is, and must remain, an important factor in English life. The duty on imported cars is a good thing for motoring rather than otherwise. It checks sheer waste, it is only fair to English makers, and in the long run will benefit the real motorist.

People who Ought to be Strafed.



V.—THE HUSBAND WHO CAN'T DO WITH FEWER THAN FIFTEEN BOXES OF MATCHES A DAY.

DRAWN BY G. E. STUDDY.

ANOVELINA NUTSHELL

THE NIGHT RAIDER.

By W. DOUGLAS NEWTON.

THE bang was like the slamming of an enormous door by a giant without manners.

Mr. William Edington paused over the catch of his despatch-case. His round face endeavoured to get over his shoulder, and his unsophisticated eyes fixed the plaque of sky beyond his window with an admonitory interrogation. As a man of comfort and substance and a householder, he objected to giants slamming doors in a way to disturb him. He said to his empty office, "What's up now?" At once the black sky outside palpitated for a vermilion moment, and "spshaat-BANG!" went something vigorously emphatic.

"Good Lord!" said Mr. Edington. "Are they firing at Zeppelins?" And after that he should have chuckled. But he did not chuckle. The night outside his office was burning in a white light. Light in pale bars was forcing a way up through the darkness. Mr. Edington bounced to his window. Hanging high and voiceless against the tarpaulin of blackness, milk-white, leech-like, amazingly impersonal, was a floating body. "Bump-bang" went a sound remote (rather like the noise of a boat hitting the water at the end of a chute), a star came out suddenly and began to lift upward towards the long white thing.

"Zeppelins!" gasped Mr. Edington, the sight being too astonishing for him to use the singular. There was a crash, and then another, both thick, woolly, and heavy. Over the roofs and the serration of chimneys a reddish fume shot up and was gone. At three different points the sky palpitated, and he heard the sound of guns.

Mr. Edington was plump, middle-aged, profoundly dignified, given rather to zeal than to energy. But he ran for his door. As he reached his door he switched off his electric light, and, after, ran much faster along a very dark passage. A primal, emotional instinct had seized him. It had caught him irresistibly against his will. He was running because his racial characteristics had asserted themselves. He ran feverishly along the passage to where there was a flight of steps and a door. He felt that he would see all this so much better on the roof.

Running in the dark, he could hear deep crashes around and near him, and could catch the thud of artillery. Something weakened under his diaphragm. He had the feeling that there was a huge and invisible beast above him, and that that beast might strike down and catch him in the neck without his being able to know or see what was shattering him. This emotion might be fear; but if it was, fear was different from what he had-imagined fear to be. To Mr. Edington it was a sudden wateriness of personality begot of the knowledge that he could not see what was going to happen to him.

When he had arrived into a position to see, this emotion left him. Then he became frightfully and almost hysterically excited.

His view was magnificent, and the scene was so enormously dramatic as to overpower him. The spectacle was titanic. Mr. Edington's offices were at the top of a high block of buildings crowning the highest point in the industrial centre the Zeppelin was now bombarding. It was a grand-stand. Below him the town fell away with the big sweep of an amphitheatre. Beyond the valley low hills made a ring before him. The guns and the searchlights were on the hills. They were reaching up at the Zeppelin, which seemed almost above him and was moving gently with the impersonality of a gold-fish in a large tank.

The vast amphitheatre under his eyes was lit like a furnace. Light was pouring up at the dirigible until the sky was glowing like hot metal. Through the white light of the beams the fluttering flashes of gun-fire, bright but transient, threw heat against the darkness, and the redder tint of burning buildings spread wash after wash of glowing colour into the vivid scheme. The whole mass of colour was fused and blended together in a manner that

reminded Mr. Edington of the lighting effects that had made curious the "Miracle Play" as he had seen it at Olympia, London. Out of the cloud of heaving and vigorous light the bulks of big buildings, the city church, the Town Hall, and the rest loomed as if shaped of smoke. If Mr. Edington had had any imagination he would have felt like Dante.

Mr. Edington was not in a very safe position; he knew it; he knew he was a responsible citizen, a husband, and a father—but he did not care. Perhaps, somewhere deep in him, he was nervous; but somewhere rather near the surface was the certain knowledge that he wasn't going to miss so excellent a view for anyone. He was expecting, every minute, to see the Zeppelin hit, and the burning and fall of her would be a great sight.

The guns were firing continuously from all round, not in a fused cannonading, but in odd and definitely separated thumps. Some of the thumps were thicker and more guttural than others, and in the course of seconds merely he was familiar with the individuality of the detonations, and recognised them as he recognised old friends.

When a gun went off there appeared in the air, many thousand feet above it, a sharp spark. This spark would go on, with a sense almost of labour, pushing upward across the sky. It made him dance a little on the flat concrete of the roof to observe that some of the sparks fell very short, that they drooped like the heads of flowers and fell miserably back to the earth. One gun, of several, was firing admirably. The gunner was as cool and as imperturbable as a fine piece of machinery. He was plugging away with the steady resolution of a clock. He was going after the white dirigible without hurry, and, it seemed, without animosity, for all he meant to do was to hit her hard and finally. The thick sound of this gun and the unexcited craftsmanship of its artilleryman filled Mr. Edington with joy. He noted the regular beat of the discharge, and saw that, though each shell missed, each shell was nearer hitting than the last.

The Zeppelin had been heading for him. Now, as he looked, and as that part of him not excited and interested with the spectacle was beginning to point out that he would be caught and killed like a rat if a shell dropped on this tall building—just when the fluttering something within him began to flutter again—the Zeppelin changed direction.

She moved in the sky very perfectly and gracefully. She twinkled in his vision for a moment, seemed to be lost, then he saw her in her serpentine length, a thing with a nipple snout, thin as a weevil, with her gondolas hanging like udders beneath. But she had comeliness; up so high, there was the grace of a toy about her, and the white light of the big beams that seemed to chain her to the earth made her ethereal. The unhurrying gunner paused as she turned until she was on an even course; then he thumped out at her, and Mr. Edington gasped as he saw how near the shells were going.

The dirigible was slipping away—going to the north and west at a curiously imperceptible rapidity. Mr. Edington danced again because he felt the disappointment of his unknown friend the gunner. Then he danced across the roof. A system of chimney-stacks cut off not only his roof from the next, but would presently cut off his vision of the Zep. He went towards the stacks with astonishing quickness—and, indeed, all these happenings and all these visions were occurrences of amazing swiftness. Enormous happenings were being crowded into moments.

The stacks made a high barrier, but presented few difficulties. In any case, Mr. Edington had climbed them by the iron rungs set in the wall of bricks but a few weeks ago, when a new system of escaping from fire had been explained by the landlord company of the whole block of buildings. It was dark and lonely and late at night, but Mr. Edington found the way. Fat, round, and homely

TREATS IN STORE.



JONES: Hullo, Brown! Come and have a drink!

THE POPULAR MEMBER: Can't be done, dear boy—I've lunched twice already.

DRAWN BY FRANK REYNOLDS.

though he was, he scaled the barrier like a cat. He would have descended the other side like an angel on Jacob's ladder. But he did not. He stopped. He gasped. There was something—somebodies—on the other side that arrested him.

Mr. Edington was "knocked feet over hair" by the sight he saw. It was indeed a confounding sight. The chief thing below him was a most vivid light; the light was big, flat, saucer-shaped, but with rays stiff and straight. It was so bright and silent that it seemed to fill the roof, and to go on blazing without attention. But he soon saw that this opinion of the phenomenon was incorrect; the light shut off and blazed again several times in a winking manner, and something moved under him. He saw that two men shared the roof with the refulgence.

The two men were quiet fellows, standing easily, working with unembarrassed and habitual gestures that somehow led him to rank them with the friendly and unflurried gunner who had won his admiration. One was examining the sky, the broad field of the valley, and the houses through a large pair of field-glasses, and his gestures were cool and preordained. The other man sat at his feet in a concentrated attitude, and sometimes he looked up at the moving Zeppelin, but nearly all the time his eyes were fixed on his right hand, which was closed round a long lever. Mr. Edington realised that the light had winked because this man had pulled the lever, for, though its arm was long and kept the two men well clear of the light, obviously there was some contrivance which caused the light to be covered when the sitting man pulled.

Mr. Edington gaped at them. That they should be working here, that they had been working here, was a thing of baffling astonishment to him. The men were well under cover; they worked coolly, and with such assurance that he guessed they had every right to be there. His steady gun bumped away in the distance, and out of the corner of his eye he saw the star of a shell pushing up and up and up until it was almost reaching out its fingers to snatch at the Zeppelin. "Gad," breathed Mr. Edington's internal conversationalist, "Gad, she's caught!" But she wasn't. The shell, like the hand of a man jumping at a growing pear, snatched, hung, failed, and went out. But it had been breathlessly near. Next time——!

The two men had stiffened as the shell climbed. Mr. Edington perceived an almost military intentness about them. He smiled. He was fond of them immediately. He knew them. They were two men of a signalling detachment. That was why they had reminded him of his imperturbable gunner—they were his brothers.

But he didn't smile very long. The man with the glasses said something strenuously in a whisper. It was the sort of admonitory mutter that one flung from a grand-stand at a footballer who, quite unsuspecting, was about to be tricked by another player running up behind. And the man hissed—

"Achtung! Eilen Sie sich! Eilen Sie sich!"

Something red and furious went off with a bang inside plump and homely Mr. Edington. He understood. He had had the misfortune of a two years' university training in Germany. He crouched. He, unmilitant, unaggressive, plump Mr. Edington prepared, without realising, to spring. As he crouched, his hand rested on the bricks of the stack supports, and closed on something that also rested there. It was a short, hard length of half-inch iron left behind by the fire-escape geniuses; but Mr. Edington did not know this. He only knew that beneath him were two men who spoke German—Germans. That they were signalling, and that they were obviously signalling to the Zeppelin. They were directing the Zeppelin; they had told her how best to drop her infernal bombs, how best to do her loathsome work of senseless slaughter, and now they were helping her to escape. They were spies—low, accursed Germans and spies.

Mr. Edington saw the two men through a red mist. He crouched. Lord, he'd tear their damned throats out! He forgot he was plump and homely. He was going to kill. If he jumped he'd come right on top of the big man—that would break his back. He'd hit the other before he could rise. He crouched.

He heard the conversation under him, though it went on quickly. Speaking in German, the man at the lever said—

"She 's running right into the shelling, surely? The gunning 's coming from the left, and she will go right over it on this course.... Shall I signal?"

"Yes," said the other. "They can't see with these twice-damned searchlights glaring in their eyes. The shells might be coming from anywhere—to them. Signal them to alter course to the right. Three flashes, isn't it?"

"Himmel, no!" snapped the other. "That's the signal for her to stop ship for messages. . . ."

"Three pulls on that lever stops the brute," registered Mr. Edington's singularly clarified brain. And he jumped.

He came down in an awful, soft thud on the back and neck of the standing man. This fellow went "O-ough" very softly, dived forward, and his face hit the concrete roof with a terrible bang. As he fell and was still, the man at the lever winced sideways and ducked in fear of the unexpected. Mr. Edington was on him like a panther.

Mr. Edington never really knew how he did it. As the soft mass went under him he staggered with bent knees on to the firmness of the roof. As he slithered, he swung his right hand wildly but emphatically. The second man was coming up by then, and the iron bar stripped a filament of scalp from above his temple. The fellow cursed, swayed, and tried to reach the Englishman from the vantage of his knees. Mr. Edington had struck again; the iron bar smashed with vast force across the fellow's nose and eyes and forehead. He fell sideways in a heap.

It all happened in a flash of instants, but Mr. Edington thought it had taken ages. He looked up, but the Zeppelin seemed to be in much the same place, though it was moving at a personable pace. A lot of guns had realised their futility and had stopped firing. The sky was left to the white, impersonal toy devil, the bulldog searchlights that clung to her, and the one calm and heavily speaking gun. As Mr. Edington watched, a shell burst over the Zep—well over her, so that sparks seemed to drop down on her. Mr. Edington was almost nerveless, it was so well over her. He thought, "Next shot should get her," for, though he did not know that the gunner was "registering" and feeling for an exact range, he guessed that the gunner would know now how far he had to fire to hit. "Next shot," he thought, "if I can keep her still."

He caught hold of the lever and pulled it.

The light went out.

He released the lever and the light shone. He repeated the performance until he had pulled three times. Then he stood gazing at the sky.

He did not know if the Zeppelin had stopped, but he knew that after a moment he seemed to see her more plainly. She was white, delicate, voiceless, beautiful, and she hung there as though she brooded over something. Just for a moment she hung, and the friendly gun with the thick voice bumped off in a flicker of faint light.

Mr. Edington saw the star climbing, and he saw it as one whose emotions had been petrified. It pushed its laborious way up and up and up across the back-cloth of blackness. Its heavy journey seemed intolerable and long. Abruptly the star was fused into the white, serpentine thing; abruptly there was a crumpling of shape; abruptly there fanned up from the street a wild yell of many voices raised in exultance, and Mr. Edington found that his voice was joined in that yell. Up in the air there seemed a whiff of mist that obscured just vision. Then the hard searchlights asserted themselves—and there was the wounded Zep.

Her beauty had gone. Her pointed snout was bashed in (the gunner, judging her pace, had fired at her stem, and had hit her in her second gas compartment), there was a lumpy and draperous jumble drooping from her for about an eighth of her length. And she was staggering down the sky in a wounded and nerveless fashion. She was coming lower.

A host of guns went off, and the big gun spoke again. There was a small explosion, and then an intolerable crash. There was flame in the sky, and Mr. Edington saw an incandescent mass falling slowly downwards. But Mr. Edington saw no more of this. There was an excruciatingly dapper officer before him, and severa policemen, and one or two determined fellows with guns in their hands were coming over the barrier of stacks.

And Mr. Edington was wildly explaining. He wanted to tell everything from the beginning—from the beginning, with every telling detail. But he could only say things about spies—German spies that he had tried to kill.

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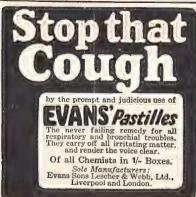
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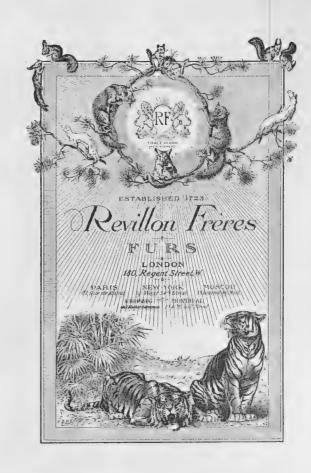
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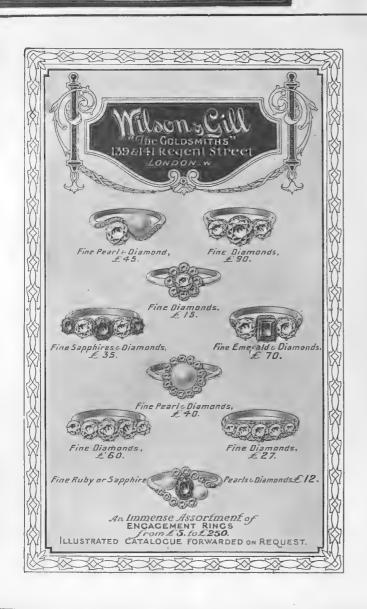
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Officers' Khaki.

By H. DENNIS BRADLEY.

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I feel that I cannot emphasise too strongly to inexperienced officers the paramount importance of providing themselves with equipment of the finest quality that money can buy.

Since the winter of 1914-15 there has been a great rise in price, and also a scarcity of the best quality khaki. Not one man in a thousand is an expert judge of cloth, and any amount of second-grade material is being sold at the present moment which is totally unfit to stand the excessive strain of active service.

It is quite time that the misleading term "Officers' Regulation Khaki" was stopped. This description is now being used in all parts of London by firms offering uniforms at absurdly low prices, who have never previously produced a military garment. Let the newly fledged officer thoroughly understand that there is, unfortunately, no regulation quality for officers' khaki, and he is, therefore, at the mercy of the firm from whom he buys. With a recognised West End military tailor he has nothing to fear, but if he succumbs to the bait of cheapness he will pay a very bitter price during the rigours of the winter campaign. Every officer should realise that on active service the clothes he stands up in may have to last him indefinitely.

In the early days of the war, when scandalous shoddy khaki was being foisted on the Territorials, I was consulted by the War Office, and the evil was effectively nipped in the bud, and I should now be the first to welcome a fixed standard of the first quality for officers' khaki. The Government allowance of £50 for kit is not granted out of philanthropy, but to enable the newly gazetted officer to procure his uniforms from first-class military tailors, and those who are induced to save a few pounds by purchasing cheap kit will find they have practised a suicidal economy.

There is but one design for each garment of officers' kit, but there is an immensity of difference between the style imparted by the exclusive military tailor and those who have adopted this branch on the exigency of the moment. It is regrettable to observe an increasing number of officers wearing uniforms of indifferent cut and tailoring. Their appearance is not creditable to the high traditions of the British Army and Navy, and the fact is being adversely commented upon by the senior officers of the Services.

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Decline and Fall of English Hospitality.

We have, as a nation, long amused ourselves at the niggardliness in hospitality of foreign nations, particularly the French, German, and Italian. But there were excellent reasons for

their sparse invitations, for the eau sucrée and tea of Parisian evening parties, the sausages, herrings, and beer of the Teutons. They could not reasonably afford to give more, and to this parlous state of things we shall come, in a few brief months, ourselves. English hospitalityopen house, week-ends, the habit of receiving other people's friends with whom you have no personal acquaintance, vast and elaborate dinner-parties-will all disappear, probably for a generation. Let

us make up our minds to renewing our sociable habits on simpler lines, and all will be well. for if we make a pretence at the old profuseness and the old splendour the decline and fall of British hospitality is inevitable.



If anyone (and most of us do) requires to be heartened about It nowadays, he has only to read the Junior Sub." in Blackwood to recover all his goodhumour. For, in the last analysis, we perceive that it is the Junior Sub. and his like, and not the gold-laced Generals and Mandarins of Whitehall, who will, in effect, win this war. Principally, of course, through their precious youth and priceless vigour, but also because of their cheerful



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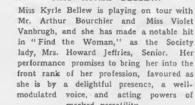


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observe closely, and I was obliged to rely upon the accuracy of my eyesight, for distance sometimes lends an entirely fictitious appearance to the face. I listened to John Stuart Mill at a lecture on Woman's Rights'; and then as he recited passages from his notes in a weak voice it was made extremely clear that his pen was mightier than his personal magnetism upon a platform. A strange protuberance upon his forehead attracted me; and, the oddly shaped skull dipping slightly in the middle, 'the feminine philosopher 'just escaped being bereft not only of his hair when I saw him, but of that highly important organ—the bump of reverence." Which reminds one of Mr. Ward's difficulties when he was asked to draw the grandchildren of Mrs. Coope, of Brentwood. "When I arrived," writes the artist, "I was shown into the nursery and introduced to a little baby, who was entirely occupied with crawling on the floor. After pursuing my erratic model all over the room in hopes of catching him at a happy moment, and failing hopelessly in my quest, I gave up, and was informed by



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Art by Heredity. That, surely, was a proof of success, a success "Spy" owes not only to his personal ability, but to heredity. His father, E. M. Ward, R.A., was, it is true, the only professional artist on that side of the family; but his motherformerly Miss Henrietta Ward, and no relative, despite the name—came of a long line of artists, and was an artist herself. "Her father, George Raphael Ward, a mezzotint engraver and miniaturepainter, also married an artist who was an extremely clever miniature-painter. John Jackson, R.A., the Portrait-Painter in Ordinary to William IV., was my mother's great-uncle, and George Morland became related to her by his marriage with pretty Anne Ward, whose life he wrecked by his drunken profligacy. His treatment of his wife, in fact, alienated from Morland men who were his friends, and amongst them my great-grandfather, James Ward . . a most interesting character, and an artist of great versatility." Yet "Spy's" parents wanted him to be an architect! good thing he disappointed them!

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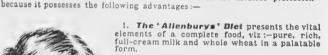
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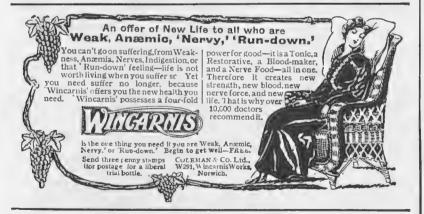
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great disappointment with the amount of material damage accomplished by the sky-pirates. A curious thing it was to hear a woman, many miles in the country, looking straight up at one of these marauders and piously thanking God that she was not in London! In suburban and country districts the people were out half the night on the nearest hills to see what they could. Some men had taken the precaution of locking their womenkind in, and taking the keys in their pockets; and some women had conveniently emerged from windows!

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that our women, put in her place, would have done likewise. There would have been no punishment!

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The Hon. Lady Monro is sister to Lord O'Hagan, and was married to Major-General Charles Carmichael Monro, C.B., on Oct. 1, three years ago. The name of Towneley, which Lady Monro bore before her marriage, is her mother's surname. Dowager Lady O'Hagan is the daughter and co-heir of the late Colonel Charles Towneley, of Towneley, and his wife, who was Lady Caroline Harriet Molyneux, daughter of the second Earl of Sefton. The Towneleys are one of the oldest of English families, and one belonging for generations to the Catholic faith. The Countess of Abingdon was Lady Monro's aunt, and Lady Alexander Gordon-Lennox, mother of Mr. Cosie of that house, was her mother's only other sister. A cousin was a

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Sir A. Mond's Figures.

Into the polemics of " free " versus " fair " trade, or of war-time tariffs on imported cars and excise duties on British products, I have no desire to enter here; but questions of fact are of interest to everybody, no matter what the cause in support of which they are ad-duced. I am surprised, therefore, to find that up to the time of writing no one has questioned an astounding statement by Sir Alfred Mond in the House of Commons. Rightly or wrongly, he is against the import duties on American cars, and, failing the

withdrawal of the 33 1-3 per cent. impost, advocates an equal duty upon British cars, both new and second-hand. In support of his contention, he is reported as having alleged that he had counted no fewer than ninety-seven separate British makers as now advertising cars for sale! Seriously, one may express the opinion that no statement of such unintentional inaccuracy has ever been adduced in support of any cause, good, bad, or indifferent. As a matter of fact, there are not ninety-seven firms of car-makers in the whole British industry. At the last Olympia Show the British exhibitors of cars numbered less than fifty. As for present conditions, the number of British firms which can supply a car on demand is practically nil. Even if Sir A. Mond had included those manufacturers who advertise their existence in order to keep their names before the public, so that they will not have been forgotten by the time peace is declared, he would still have been unable to make the figures total anything like the supposed ninety-seven. If further proof be needed, let anyone turn to the issue of the Autocar for Oct. 16, and he will find that

the advertisements of British manufacturers of cars amount to just one dozen! Perhaps Sir Alfred will kindly elucidate the mysteries of his amazing misconception of the case.

A Hint to Buyers. It is freely stated in trade circles that an appreciable number of imported cars have been held up since the Budget was first declared, with the object of selling them at higher prices when the Finance Bill has been passed, on the score of added duty. If this scheme were realised, of course, the cars imported before the Budget, but retained for the time being, would neutralise the duty actually paid on an equivalent number of vehicles. In this connection, therefore, the vendors of the Overland advise all buyers of imported cars to insist on having the amount of duty paid inscribed upon the

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The Saving of Fuel.

Now that the price of petrol has been so substantially increased, certain journals are counselling the use of "extra air" attachments to the carburetters. As to this, one can only say that the devices in question may sometimes. be usefully employed, but it is not to be assumed that they can be fitted with advantage in every case. Some months ago, for example, I determined to experiment with a particular device which the manufacturers had assured me that they could fit to my car. On taking the latter round to the works, however, I found, to my surprise, that, though it was a stanmodel,

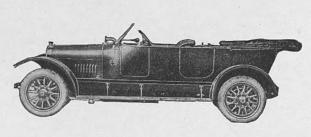
were difficulties in the way of attachment. I bought, accordingly, another type of petrol-saver, and asked my local repairer to fit it one day while I went to town. He advised me strongly, however, not to disturb the status quo, adding that he had already fitted several similar devices, and had eventually been requested to take them off, as they were unsatisfactory in working. Then I took counsel of the makers of the car, and they, too, said that their experience was precisely similar. Rather than throw good money after bad, therefore, I put the apparatus on one side, preferring to sacrifice its cost topaying for its fitting and probable detachment at a later date. Experiences of this kind, by the way, are somewhat unpleasantly familiar to a writer on motoring topics, who is more prone to the making of experiments than the ordinary owner. In some cases, of course, a device may be fitted free of cost; but even this involvesthe loss of the car meanwhile, and consequent trouble on the road if the experiment prove unsuccessful; and the original parts must be restored at one's own expense.



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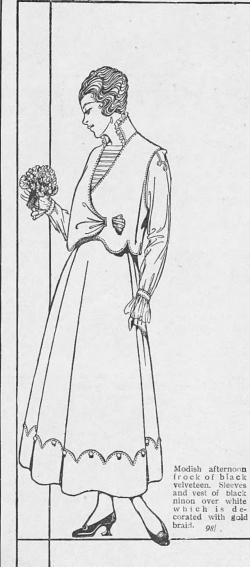
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A T present the defect of Mr. Vachell's qualities as dramatist is that he cannot get rid sufficiently of the influence of the stage when writing for the theatre. Now, whatever may be one's opinion about modern theories of playwriting of different schools more or less opposed to one another, the one good common feature of them all is their hostility to the clichés and ficelles of the earlier, uninspired drama. Absolute fidelity to life, no doubt, is unobtainable: like the horizon, it recedes as we approach; yet progress is made. Unfortunately, Mr. Vachell, young still as a dramatist, cannot help looking at life through the footlights when writing for them, so "The Case of Lady Camber," after a first half of serious, real comedy, plunges into melodrama. We had a warning in the first act when Nurse Yorke flourished a mysterious poisonphial at us; but I had forgotten all about it till part of the third

but he has real wit, and manages to place some of his characters firmly on their feet. We have not all met Iris, perhaps (no such luck!), but we all know the narrow-minded, fatuous, respectable Henry Cumbers, who bullies his excellent wife without knowing it, and is enormously puzzled by his ugly-duckling son, who, however, probably never turned into a swan. Henry is delightfully amusing and hopelessly a prig, and none the less real when he exhibits genuine manhood. After all, I suppose we ought to admit that the real "guts" of the kingdom consists of the conventional, hide-bound people of whom we make fun in the theatre, and he is one of them, admirably drawn, and finely acted too by Mr. A. E. George—fussy, fidgety, a colossus of respectability with weak knees. Iris, despite brave efforts by Miss Ashwell, is less convincing: her programme of blows, kisses,

in banging at respectabilities, and altogether is jolly and reckless;

was over, and we switched on to what was almost a new drama-a play of theatrical ingenuity, not life, carried on by one of those promises extorted from heroines by villains that exasperate people of good sense. There are those who think we ought to leave good sense with our hats and coats in the cloak-room, but I always stick to my coat and So the hat. play at new the Savoy, considered as a whole, is a strong, interesting melodrama, and not quite such a cess as "Quinney's." Certainly it interested and



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thrilled the house. Miss May Leslie Stuart made a real hit by her very clever performance as Lady Camber, the unhappy music-hall star who found marriage with a Lord a failure; and her husband was excellently presented by Mr. Ben Webster. Miss Jessie Winter was charming as the pretty nurse, whose vindication was not quite as transparently triumphant as could be wished. Mr. Irving, in the part of the purblind surgeon, played effectively and with admirable restraint. Mr. Holman Clark was rather amusing in the part of a fashionable medical man. Almost the pick of the bunch was Mr. James Lindsay, who represented perfectly the butler of the fashionable "vet."

Miss Lena Ashwell has a gift for finding new authors—which probably means an unusually sound judgment in reading plays. Her latest discovery, Mr. J. H. Turner, has the bloom of youth upon him, lucky fellow, for it may be noticed by the observant that a cloud of middle-age has been upon the theatre for some years past. The author of "Iris Intervenes" has his audacities: he does not care twopence about plots, probably takes a somewhat savage joy

blows, kisses, tears, is rather dazzling, and has its bright intermediate moments: a fantastic.entertaining figure, presented brilliantly with superb abandorment by the actress. must not overlook Miss May Whitty, excellent as the down - trodden wife; or Mr. James Stanners. who played skilfully as the revolting son, betrothed to a strong-minded young lady, cleverly acted by Miss Muriel Pratt. Altogether, a very jolly evening at the Kingsway.

A French company at the Court earned gratitude by

beginning only a quarter of an hour late-perhaps a record of punctuality for a French company in London. A funny piece, 'Patachon," but with the vieux jeu flavour which distinguishes much of modern French comedy. What a contrast between Mr. Henry Cumbers and Max du Tilloy, hero of the French piece, presented sympathetically as the middle-aged father of a marriageable daughter, proud of his title King of the Fast Set of Paris, which he strives hard to deserve. One must not probe this kind of piece, but merely laugh at its superficial gaiety, clever technique, and droll, sometimes ultramarine dialogue. Curious what a chasm is exhibited by "Patachon" and "Iris Intervenes," between the French and the English: there was what newspapers love to call an "Entente" audience, and it thoroughly enjoyed the piece. The company is good enough, the most agreeable member being Mlle. Mirianne, charming as the lively ingénue. M. M. L. Chaumont-the name reminds one of a famous favourite of the Palais Royal—was ingeniously amusing in a Tartuffe part; whilst Max and his wife were excellently rendered by M. Francis Baissac and Mlle. Louise Dauville.



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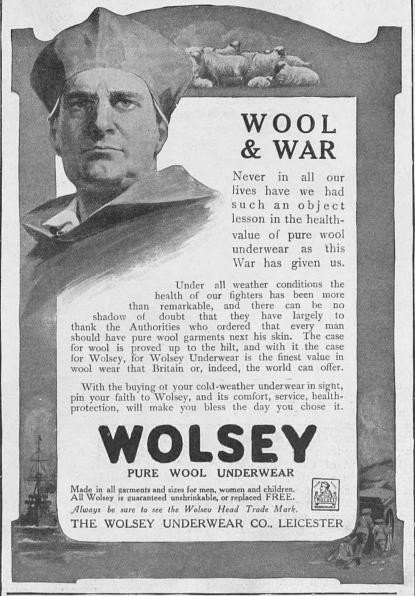
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"Guy and Pauline."

By COMPTON MACKENZIE.

People who love Mr. Mackenzie's art will love "Guy and Pauline" with peculiar intimacy just because it is so purely an affair of exquisite taste. The most diligent scissors Mr.

(Martin Secker.) Secker may employ will never snip out the comment that it is "strong" or "arresting," for such words cannot be used of a flower wrought in Venetian glass, nor of "Guy and Pauline." It tells of the too-long engagement between two wellbred young people, and with no scenery more thrilling than the pastoral meadows of Oxfordshire, no incident more poignant than the hysterical regret of a maiden over a harmless escapade, no curtain more dramatic than the fall of the seasons; it will be seen how much is up to Mr. Mackenzie himself. Everything; like a classic vase empty of plot, reliant upon line, upon paste, upon tendernesses of colour, "Guy and Pauline" asks the finality of treatment from its author, and gets it on every page. It is a very perfect work of art, and the rare words that might be—yes, "arresting" in a milieu of less determined artistry flutter like exotic butterflies across the decorative pattern of this English idyll. It is so absolutely right that Guy, the poet in retreat, about to become the lover, should feel that the vision of the charming mother of the charming should feel that the vision of the charming mother of the charming Rectory family, sitting by the fire in her wide-winged chair, "would in his memory rest always enambered"; that jocund hay-makers should work through "the lustred afternoon," that goldfinches should salute May morning in "rustling canzonets," rising and falling with reedy cadences. But no artificial beauty can veil Mr. Mackenzie's feeling for places. He has written a romance so interest that it is impressible to imp intensely of its county that it is impossible to imagine it enacted out of England, scarcely out of Oxfordshire. The birds and the emotion and the ragged robins may be ever so fantastically embroidered into his pattern; they remain essentially and eternally They are also modern to the extent of fourteen months. Guy, struggling with his belle dame, suffering from a surfeit of fastidious poesy, and mourning the lost secret of the Elizabethans, whose harmony "could fuse all baseness in a glittering song," is démodé by exactly fourteen months. Perhaps the Elizabethan secret lay in the fact that while ardently gathering roses, their art could joyfully reckon with manure. They were in harmony with the rose-garden. We have picked our roses and brought them to decorative interiors so long that we lose touch with essentials. War, one of the few primitive essentials, is changing all that. Guy's loveaffair could not blossom and languish in 1915 as in 1914. Guy would become, by the most glorious incentives, a man of action, and his poetry, his love even, be merely a rich overflow of vitality to spare, just as it used to be with those old Elizabethans. Guy is probably fighting now, and when Mr. Mackenzie, in some distant solace, after all this tumult, draws out of his wonderful experience another story, the secret of the Elizabethans will be abroad in Georgian England, fusing all the violence and baseness of the struggle in a glittering song.

" A Young Man's Year."

BY ANTHONY HOPE.

The motif of the ambitious young man in a great capital, with his way to make, and friends to make, and very little to do it on, is an extremely attractive one. Of all Balzac's ardent, (Methuen:) impressive figures is there one more ardent and impressive than Eugène Rastignac in his boarding-house?

Still, Anthony Hope is not Balzac, and therefore, Arthur Lisle is not Rastignac. He is just a sketch from the outside of an ordinary

young barrister waiting for briefs, who did his best to entangle himself with the wrong woman twice, was luckily twice prevented, and made good with the apparent right-and-sensible one as tardily There is a Regent Park set not quite, quite, centred round a wealthy perfumer and his daughter; there is a Hill Street set migrating to country-house life, and unmistakably "quite," sprinkled with successful lawyers. Between these two, Arthur revolves, and considering his lapses of mission and commission, revolves very successfully. It all reads a little stale, as if Mr. Hope were too tired to feel very much about any of his people. Whether this be true or no, the effect remains; and though his knowledge of story-telling saves the worst possibilities—for "A Young Man's Year " is readable enough—it will leave the reader quite untouched by any real feeling. A much worse book whose author was aglow might succeed where this fails; and remembering the romance of the past signed by Mr. Anthony Hope, the almost breathless romance, it would seem that, for once, the author's heart has not been in

" Mimi's Marriage."

By V. MIKOULITCH. (Fisher Unwin.)

With all deference to Tolstoy, whom the wrapper proclaims as marvelling at the frankness of this book's feminine revelations, it adds negligibly to the knowledge of a woman's heart, frivolous or otherwise. It was so like

Tolstoy to conclude that such frank writing of feminine triviality could not come from a woman's pen. Indeed, the unprejudiced reader feels almost sorry for Mimi in the clutch of this resolute and relentless betrayer who pursues her in guise of an author; but, dear shade of Tolstoy, did you fail to detect the flamboyant cattiness which exposes Mimi's growing passion with the same delight as her curl-papers? There was a certain Flaubert who analysed pitilessly the poor affair of a woman's heart. But though Mme. Bovary makes a terrible picture of lust and vanity, her author never touched malice or contempt as he gave out the last truth about her to the world. That ruthless portrait leaves no room for slighter emotions than pity and terror. Mimi is another story. It is unkind with the peculiar unkindness of a woman to a woman, and Tolstoy was so much the less of an artist that he missed the shade. Her lover, whom she met while doing a health cure in the Caucasus (the cure being principally a holiday from a mariage de convenance), and with whom she rode across the hills, as, before her, Mme. Bovary had followed her seducer through the woods, is a most convincing study. His arguments and his attitude, what woman pursued illegitimately by man does not know them!

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FICTION.

The Later Life. Louis Couperus.

(Heinemann.) Because of These Things. Marjorie Bowen. 6s. (Methuen.)

When Summer Comes Again. Beatrice Basker (Simpkin.) A Game of Hearts. G. B. Burgin.

(Hutchinson) "Confirmed Bachelor." E. Everett-Green, 6s. (Hutchinson.)

Beltane the Smith. Jeffery Farnol. 6s. (Sampson, Low.) The Thirty-Nine Steps. John Buchan. 1s. net. (Blackwood.)

Drifting Waters. Rachel Swete Macnamara. (Chapman and Hall.)

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Re-Discovered Country. Stewart Edward White, 108, 6d, net (Hodder and Stoughton.)
The Spirit of the Soil. G. D. Knox. With a Forewood by Professor W. B. Bottomley. 28. 6d. net (Constable)

Hymn Before Action. Rudyard Kipling. 1s. net (Methuen.)

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The Surrey Hills. F. E. Green. Illustrated by
Elliott Seabrooke, 7s. 6d. net
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Tiger Land. C. E. Gouldsbury. 2s, 6d, net.
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